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Sunday 20th December 2015

4th Sunday of Advent (Year C)

Cycle II Psalter Week

CHRISTMAS MASSES & SERVICES

Please note the following times. They are the same as last year.

Thursday 24th December

9.30am	Mass	<i>All Hallows</i>
6.30pm	Vigil Mass of Christmas	<i>All Hallows</i>
9.30pm	Service of Carol & Readings	<i>St Dyfrig's</i>
10.00pm	Mass of Christmas Night	<i>St Dyfrig's</i>

There will be NO midnight Mass

Friday 25th December

9.15am	Mass of Christmas Morning	<i>All Hallows</i>
10.45am	Mass of Christmas Morning	<i>St Dyfrig's</i>

RECONCILIATION IN ADVENT

Fr Allan will be available to hear confessions during advent:

Tuesday at All Hallows: after 9.30am Mass

Wednesday at St Dyfrig's: after 9.45am Mass

Or at another time by arrangement with Fr Allan.

NEWS FOR ALL

DATE FOR YOUR 2016 DIARY Diocesan day of recollection for Ministers of Communion will be held at the Pastoral Centre, located in St Illtyd's High School, Cardiff on Saturday 27th February.

CAFOD RECRUITING CAFOD is currently looking for a Community Participation Coordinator based from our volunteer centre in Cardiff to cover CAFOD's work in the dioceses of Cardiff and Menevia. This is part time (17.5 hours per week), fixed term contract to 31 July

2017. To read more and to apply please visit cafod.org.uk/Work-with-us/UK-Jobs/CPC-South-Wales and complete our online application form by the closing date of 3 Jan 2016. Contact CAFOD South Wales for further details on 029 20 344 882 or email southwales@cafod.org.uk

ST DYFRIG'S PARISH OFFICE EMAIL: In addition to the disruption due to the work taking place in the presbytery, we currently have no access to Email in the Parish Office and we apologise if you have sent emails, which have received no response. If you need to contact Fr Allan or the Office Team, please leave a message n the answer phone until further notice.

DIOCESAN YEAR BOOKS 2016: These are now available in the foyers of both Churches, price £3.00.

ALL HALLOWS NEWS

OFFICES FOR THE WEEK COMMENCING 20 Dec. 2015

Saturday Mass 6.30 pm

Euch Minister: T Jacobs, C Barrion, L Jones

Readers: S Stacey & K Attfield

Offertory: Franks Herbert Family

Sunday Mass: 9.15 am

Euch Ministers: T Charnock, M Fernandez, M Mortley

Readers: B Hargreaves & P Hopkins

Offertory: G Robertson

Collection: N & S Flint

Tea: Sandra Corp

Cleaning: Team 5 Angela MacCarthy's Team

Servers: Brian/Edward/George

Response to Psalm: *God of hosts, bring us back; let your face shine on us and we will be saved.*

Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia, alleluia! I am the handmaid of the Lord: let what you have said be done to me. Alleluia!*

1st Reading: Micah 5:1-4; **2nd Reading:** Hebrews 10:5-10; **Gospel:** Luke 1:39-44

OFFICES FOR THE WEEK COMMENCING 27 Dec. 2015

Saturday Mass 6.30 pm

Euch Minister: K.Thomas, D.F-Herbert/P.F-Herbert

Readers: Emyr Adlam/Wynne Brown

Offertory: Sheila Sawyer/Jayne Holder

Sunday Mass: 9.15 am

Euch Ministers: C & D Lyons, Tricia Mahoney

Readers: Teresa Howell & Gloria Hunt

Offertory: Ryan Family

Collection: Kath & Tony Jacobs

Tea: Theresa Mackay

Cleaning: Team 6 Sue Collyer's Team

Servers: Brian/Edward/George

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

This Week: No Children's Liturgy

Next Week: No Children's Liturgy

CONFESSION:

After all weekday Masses during December
and first Saturday of every month 10.15 – 11.15 a.m.

COLLECTIONS for WEEKEND 13 December 2015

Gift Aid: £ 514.23; Non Gift Aid: £75.00;

Loose Plate: £158.01

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR: Suzy Stacey has undertaken the role of Parish Administrator for us at All Hallows. Please contact Suzy for any administrative requests/information/mass intentions etc. on 01443 223184 or 07734 701449.

LITURGY MINISTER ROTA FOR DEC 2015 TO FEB 2016

The new rota for the period 12.12.15 to 14.02.16 is now available. It has been emailed to ministers, where possible, and hard copies will be available at the back of the church from 06 12 15 for those not on E - mail.

TESCO VOUCHER SCHEME.... The sale of Tesco Vouchers will from now on only be sold *AFTER MASS* at the weekend. Scheme administrators will be available in the Foyer after each Mass.

ANNUAL PARISH CHRISTMAS DINNER: What a wonderful evening enjoyed by all. Many thanks to the organisers/caterers and a special thank you to the "More than a Song" Community Choir who provided the evening with festive musical accompaniment to end a very relaxed and enjoyable event.

CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE: Many thanks to Anne and the Folk Group, enhanced by our children's choir who led us at the Christmas Carol Service last Sunday

Evening of traditional/Contemporary Carols with spiritual readings in preparation for the Feast of Christmas and the Birth of our Blessed Lord.

CHRISTMAS EVE APPEAL FOR HELP: For our Vigil Mass on Christmas Eve, we are anticipating a large attendance in Church. We are appealing therefore for help to set up extra chairs in Church and the Foyer in line with Health and Safety regulations. If you are available to help before and after Mass, we should be most grateful.

PONTYCLUN FOODBANK. If you have something special for our appeal this Christmas, please bring them in this week. Many thanks to all who support this very worthy cause.

ALL HALLOWS VISITING GROUP: We are a new group being established and hope to be fully up and running in January. We will be visiting the housebound, the sick and people who live alone. Initially we will be visiting parishioners but eventually, we hope to extend our visits to the wider community. If you know of anyone who is ill, elderly or lonely and would be pleased to have a visit, please contact our Co-ordinator, **Marita on 07960 206916**

SAFE FAMILIES FOR CHILDREN: We have been given a wonderful opportunity to fundraise in Cardiff, by Morrison's Supermarket, which is situated on Newport Road, Cardiff. We urgently need volunteers to help pack customer's shopping and collect donations. The dates available to us are Tues/Weds 22/23 December 2015. The supermarket has 20 checkouts and they will all be in operation. If you can spare a half day or even a couple of hours, please do contact: jeffwoodington@safefamiliesforchildren.com or call 02921 660555 so we can organise a rota. Checkouts are covered 10 am to 4 pm on both days. Morrison's will kindly supply refreshments.

CHRISTMAS CARDS: It has been custom and practise for many years for parishioners to leave Cards on the table in the Church Foyer. Please check if there are cards there for you in order to keep the foyer tidy.

RED MISSION BOXES: Please collect all remaining emptied boxes from the Church Foyer.

ST DYFRIG'S NEWS

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS The giving of Christmas Cards is a private matter. However, some people prefer to give Christmas Greetings and not send cards. Instead they may give a donation to a charity. In the narthex is a list for people who wish to enter into the spirit of Christmas in an alternative way.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND SICK VISITORS In the sacristy are boxes of chocolates and Christmas cards for the above to collect and distribute to the housebound. If the person you sick visit is forgotten please mention to SVP members: Anne Parker on Saturday Vigil Mass or Liz Mayo on Sunday Morning Mass. Please tick off the list. The SVP wish to thank you for your contributions to our funds during the year and would like to wish you a Happy & Holy Christmas. Anne,

CHRISTMASS MASSES A sign-up list is available in the narthex for Christmas Masses.

ST DYFRIG'S FUND RAISING

We have a couple more fundraising events before the end of the year, so we will give a total raised for 2015 at the end of December. Many thanks for all the support given to these fundraising events.

The Fund Raising Committee

FOODBANK If you would like to donate Christmas items to the Foodbank please bring them as soon as possible so they can be distributed before Christmas. Selection boxes are welcome but please do not donate Advent Calendars as we still have some left from last year. Many of the people who receive food vouchers are single so small Christmas puddings are welcome. Some people do not have access to cooking facilities so items such as 'Pot Noodles' are also useful. Thank you for your support.

CHURCH CLEANING St Dyfrig's urgently needs church cleaners, male or female, to keep our beautiful church clean. Are you able to spare approximately 90 minutes every 3 weeks, or less if we have more people come forward? If the answer is **yes** then we would love to hear from you as part of our church cleaning team. It is not too strenuous – just a handful of willing volunteers helping out. We are very flexible with whatever day you can be available. If you think you

can help please contact: Maureen Davies (204983), Janet John (205322) or Christine Thomas (203464).

FILMING IN ST DYFRIG'S Over recent months we have been doing some filming and photography at some of the key social events at St. Dyfrig's, which will continue at future events. This is to support the future funding applications for restoration grants St Dyfrig's and may be used on the St Dyfrig's website or Facebook page to promote the activities that we hold. If you have any concerns regarding the filming, please contact Susan on susanmartin76@yahoo.co.uk or let a member of the Social Team know at the event itself.

HOLY HOUR FOR EVANGELISATION in front of the Blessed Sacrament every Friday from 6.30pm, with the special intention of evangelisation and mission within our Parish and the wider church. Every one welcome: please come and spend an hour with our Lord.

PRAYING WITH OUR CHILDREN Every Wednesday morning from 10.15am (after Mass); all welcome: toys & tea provided!

HYMN NUMBERS (Sat Mass) *Entrance 646; Offertory 273; Communion 141; Recessional 526*

PARISH FINANCES

November Standing Orders: Gift Aid - £451, Non Gift Aid - £372. Thank you.

FRIENDS OF ST DYFRIG'S Christmas 2015

£100 Susan Martin; £50 Rachel Porter; £20 K Norris; £10 D Jenkins, M.P Basini-Gazzi, Dave Rossiter

Many thanks for your continued support. £13 subscriptions are now due for 2016. This year, we raised £1480 for Church funds. Lots of numbers are still available. If you would like to join, or take extra numbers, please contact Sheila Pugh: 01443 203492

MISSIO RED BOXES: A total of £859.59 was raised in the recent autumn collection. Total raised this year from the two Red Box collections is £1426.27. Many thanks and congratulations to all involved. *Allan Reeves (01433 206767)*

Liturgy/Masses at St Dyfrig's Treforest and All Hallows, Miskin

Date	Time & Place	Service & Intention
Saturday 19th December	4.30 pm St Dyfrig's 5.00 pm St Dyfrig's 6.30 pm All Hallows	Reconciliation Mass – <i>People of the Parish</i> Mass – <i>Elizabeth & James Kingston RIP</i>
Sunday 20th December <i>4th Sunday of Advent</i> <i>Expectant Mothers' Sunday</i>	9.15 am All Hallows 10.45 pm St Dyfrig's	Mass – <i>People of the Parish</i> Mass – <i>Theresa Atkins (Birthday Anniversary)</i> Refreshments after Mass
Monday 21st December	9.30 am St Dyfrig's 9.45 am St Dyfrig's	Morning Prayer Service of the Word with Holy Communion
Tuesday 22nd December	9.30 am All Hallows	Mass – <i>Gwyn Thomas (Recovery)</i>
Wednesday 23rd December	9.30 am St Dyfrig's 9.45 am St Dyfrig's	Morning Prayer Mass – <i>Alan Howells</i>
Thursday 24 December <i>The Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ (Solemnity) – Christmas Vigil</i>	9.30 am All Hallows 6.30 pm All Hallows 9.30 pm St Dyfrig's 10.00 pm St Dyfrig's	Mass – <i>Clifford Keeley</i> Vigil Mass of Christmas (<i>People of the Parish</i>) Service of Carols/Reading Mass of Christmas Night (<i>People of the Parish</i>) (NB: No Midnight Mass)
Friday 25th December <i>The Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ (Solemnity) – Christmas Day (Holy Day of Obligation)</i>	9.15 am All Hallows 10.45 am St Dyfrig's	Mass of Christmas Morning (<i>People of the Parish</i>) Mass of Christmas Morning (<i>Ferdous Thomasi and Simone Hormozi</i>)
Saturday 26th December	4.30 pm St Dyfrig's 5.00 pm St Dyfrig's 6.30 pm All Hallows	Reconciliation Mass – <i>Patrick Kerrigan RIP</i> Mass – (<i>People of the Parish</i>)
Sunday 27th December <i>The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph (Feast)</i>	9.15 am All Hallows 10.45 pm St Dyfrig's	Mass – <i>Kim Davies-Stacey RIP</i> Mass - <i>People of the Parish</i> Refreshments after Mass

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Hospital Catholic Chaplains

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*Two Churches Newsletter. All items for inclusion no later than 11am Wednesday please
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